

ISSUED AND SHALL BE SEALED WITH HIS SEAL. WHEN PREPARED THE PATENT SHALL BE PRESENTED TO THE GOVERNOR FOR HIS SIGNATURE AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE SHALL BE AFFIXED TO IT. THE GOVERNOR SHALL RELY ON THE CERTIFICATE OF THE ARCHIVIST AS TO THE PROPRIETY OF THE ISSUANCE OF THE PATENT.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section presently appears as Art. 21, §13-113 of the Code. Subsection (c) is divided into paragraphs for organizational purposes. The only other changes are in style.

13-116. TERMINATION OF PROCEEDINGS TO OBTAIN PATENT; UNPAID FEES, CONSTITUTE DEBT TO STATE; LIEN THEREFOR.

(A) GENERALLY.

A PROCEEDING TO OBTAIN A PATENT SHALL TERMINATE ON THE ISSUANCE OF A PATENT, ON THE ENTRY OF A FINAL DECISION OR ORDER BY THE ARCHIVIST REFUSING TO ISSUE A PATENT, OR ON ABANDONMENT OF THE PROCEEDING BY THE APPLICANT.

(B) FAILURE OF SURVEYOR TO RETURN CERTIFICATE.

IF THE CERTIFICATE OF THE SURVEYOR IS NOT RETURNED WITHIN THE TIME PRESCRIBED BY §13-107 OR WITHIN ANY EXTENSION GRANTED DURING THE PERIOD, THE PROCEEDING IS DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN ABANDONED BY THE APPLICANT. THE ARCHIVIST SHALL ENTER AN ORDER TO THAT EFFECT IN THE PROCEEDINGS. HOWEVER, TERMINATION IS NOT DEPENDENT ON THE ENTRY OF THE DECLARATION.

(C) FAILURE OF APPLICANT TO PAY FEES.

THE APPLICANT IS DEEMED TO HAVE ABANDONED THE PROCEEDING IF HE FAILS TO PAY ALL FEES, COSTS, AND THE PURCHASE PRICE OF THE VACANT LAND WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE RETURN OF THE CERTIFICATE OF THE SURVEYOR AND NOTIFICATION OF THE APPLICANT BY THE ARCHIVIST THAT A PATENT WILL BE ISSUED ON PAYMENT. AFTER THE ARCHIVIST ENTERS AN ORDER TO THAT EFFECT IN THE PROCEEDING, A PATENT MAY NOT BE ISSUED IN A PROCEEDING WHICH INCLUDES ANY LAND WHICH PREVIOUSLY WAS SURVEYED FOR THAT APPLICANT AND IN WHICH HE DID NOT PAY ALL CHARGES.

(D) SUBSEQUENT APPLICATIONS.

WITHIN SIX MONTHS AFTER THE ENTRY OF THE ORDER PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C), ANY PERSON MAY MAKE WRITTEN APPLICATION FOR A PATENT FOR THE VACANT LAND DESCRIBED IN THE CERTIFICATE OF THE SURVEYOR IN THE ABANDONED PROCEEDING. THE APPLICATION SHALL BE ACCOMPANIED BY A